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SUBJECT: TOKYO ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM: MAY 1976

1. JAPANESE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS HAS REPORTED, AND EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED WITH SPONSORS, THAT ASIAN PRODUCTIVITY ORGANIZATION (APO) WILL HOLD WEEK-LONG TOP MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM TO DISCUSS ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULED TO BEGIN MAY 26 IN TOKYO. TWENTY REPRESENTATIVES FROM 13 MEMBER NATIONS OF APO, PLUS FORTY OTHER ASIAN AND OCEANIAN REPRESENTATIVES, ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. SYMPOSIUM IS TO BE SPONSORED BY JAPAN PRODUCTIVITY CENTER IN COOPERATION WITH JAPAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS APO COMPOSED OF NON-COMMUNIST STATES ONLY, AND NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS MENTION SPECIFICALLY SOUTH KOREA, TAIWAN, JAPAN AND THAILAND.

2. STATED PURPOSE OF SYMPOSIUM IS QUOTE INCREASING PUBLIC AWARENESS AND APPRECIATION OF VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS RESULTING FROM HUMAN ACTIVITIES UNQUOTE. SYMPOSIUM TO COINCIDE WITH (1) JAPAN ENVIRONMENT WEEK BEGINNING JUNE 5, (2) JAPAN PRODUCTIVITY CENTER-SPONSORED ENVIRONMENTAL EXHIBITION AT TOKYO INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTER MAY 31 - JUNE 9, AND (3) JAPAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL-SPONSORED INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ENVIRONMENT

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IN TOKYO MAY 26-28.

3. SPECIFIC AREAS TO BE COVERED AT MAY 26 SYMPOISUM ARE:

A) RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT; B) RECYCLING AND CONSERVATION OF
RESOURCES; C) URBANIZATION AND ENVIRONMENT; AND 4) ECONOMIC
BURDENS OF POLLUTION CONTROL.

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